

PERSONAL RECORD

IMPORTANT EVENTS

444 North Oak St. Blackfoot, Idaho.

List below and on the reverse side items such as schools attended, vocation and business activities,

Name in full Bertha Elizabeth Moulton Gourman

Father's name William Benton Moulton

Mother's maiden name Mary Ravina Poe

When born (day, month, year) 13 October 1882

Where born (town, county, state) Montpelier, Utah

When blessed (day, month, year) 9 December 1882

By whom Bishop Thomas Reed and, Montpelier, Utah

When baptized (day, month, year) 24 August 1890

Where baptized Heber City, Wasatch Co., Utah

Baptized by Thomas Hickens

When conf. med 24 Aug 1890 By whom Owen Hickens

Priesthood ordinations:

Office By whom Date

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Office By whom Date 15 Oct 1902

Married to John D. Gourman

Where married Salt Lake Temple by John R. Winder Date 15 Oct. 1902

Where endowed Salt Lake Temple Date 15 Oct. 1902

Where sealed Salt Lake Temple

To whom (husband or wife) John D. Gourman

Patriarchal blessing by Date

Departed for mission to Date

When returned

Special appointments:

Where died Date

Church positions, places of residence, special talents and interests, unusual and faith promoting

experiences, travels, genealogical and temple work. Church leaders and other outstanding characters

you have met, etc. My first schooling was at Elkhorn

Wasatch Co. Utah, about 9 1/2 miles from Heber City, in

on one room log house. There were about twelve

students with one teacher for all grades. There were

was in a native one room school, there I went

to school in a new frame, one long room, about

two and a half miles from home, there we had one

teacher for all grades, an old maid past 60 and very

cross. This school house was the first cheerful and

well lighted one I had attended. In the fall and

early spring when the creek was frozen over we

went to school to and from school, going in a

sleigh in winter. When I was in seventh grade we

went to school in Heber City, in a beautiful large

two story rock school house, where I enjoyed

my school so much, and I finished grade school

here. I taught in primary and Sunday school for

five years married, I was married Oct 15-1902

in Salt Lake Temple to John D. Gourman. We lived

the first few years at Paul City, Utah where we

had three children Bertram M., Melvin D. and Lida

In May 1907 we moved to Heber, Utah, there I taught

in primary in 1912 and 1913. Here we had three

children born, Mrs. Leo, John Roy and Ravina May.

In May 1916 we moved to Christfield, Nevada

Co. Idaho on a cattle ranch of 360 acres. I taught

in Religion class in 1918-1919, then went to

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was born Nov 14, 1916 in the new home we built. In the fall of 1919 we moved to Riverside, Bingham Co. Idaho, about six miles west of Blackfoot, on a 40 acre farm we bought. On Dec. 19-1919 our son Gene M. was born. I served as 2nd counselor in Relief Society 1921 and 1922. Was then put in 1st counselor in Y. W. M. I. A. in 1923 and 1924. We then moved to Wapello in 1925 on an 80 acre farm. We lived here 3 1/2 years and I taught in Primary. We then moved back to Riverside on a 200 acre farm. I was soon put in 1st counselor in Relief Society, and I was also the work leader for several years. My husband & I served on the Old Folks committee for a number of years. We lived here 8 1/2 years, then bought a lovely home in Blackfoot & moved in it on Jan. 15, 1934. Just two months later our son John Roy died on Mar. 6, 1934. In the fall of 1934 we moved on a 200 acre farm near the Blackfoot Sugar Factory where we farmed until my husband died on Feb. 16, 1937. While here I was chosen work leader in Relief Society which I held from 1936 & 1937. I was then set apart as 2nd counselor in Relief Society which I held until it was re-organized in 1940, and I was put in as overseer. In June 1940 my son Bertram M. was killed. June 1941 I was chosen as Secretary in Senior Special Interest Class

of the M. I. A. I am also Sec. of Genealogy class in Sunday School. July 1940 I went to the Canada Temple with our excursion. My faith was greatly increased by working there and by meeting Pres. Wood and workers. I helped with several sealings and did endowments. I have met many of our church Presidents and have heard many of the apostles speak from the time I was very young. I was to the dedication of the Temple at Salt Lake and remember the throng of people that were there. I have done endowments in three Temples, Salt Lake, Logan Utah, and Canada Temple or Cardston. April 1941 I was privileged to go with our Blackfoot stake choir of 375 voices to Salt Lake Tabernacle to sing at Conference. It was one of the greatest thrills I ever experienced. To look at the thousands seated and to feel we were a part of it. Pres. Grant, Pres. McKay & Pres. J. Ruben Clark and many more spoke to us after meeting. June 1941 I attended Mutual Conference. I also went through 4 sessions at Temple doing endowments. I have been a member of the Blackfoot stake choir, Relief Society stake, 1st Ward choir and 1st Ward Relief Society choruses. In reading my grand mother, Ellen Beck diary, my faith has been strengthened by her strong testimonies of the truthfulness of this gospel, and it has made me feel I should carry on her work & my parents and I should have more courage in times of trial. I am very proud of my ancestors, but will they be proud of me?

written March 7-1942.